



OREGON CHAPTER MEETING **MINUTES**

Monday, January 20, 2003
7:30 – 9:30 pm

Rogue Ales Public House
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1. **Agenda Revisions:** Agenda revised to include discussion of Chapter goals
2. **Minutes Review:** Minutes of 12/9/02 Chapter meeting was reviewed and approved.
3. **Treasurers Report:** Sky passed out treasury balance sheet showing transactions, revenues, and balance. Current balance in the bank is \$1173.75. Outstanding expenses total \$1110.00 leaving a balance of 63.75. Sky reported that the Chapter bank account has moved from Bank of America to Pace Credit Union.
4. **USLA Convention/USLA Chapter Assembly Update:** Andy attended the Chapter President's Meeting. The impression is that Oregon's program is young (compared to Long Island) but growing rapidly. The youth Lax Festival is scheduled for June 14-15 of this year in New York (Bimington). The problem is that the festival is not necessarily representative of the nation since registration is a first come-first serve basis.
Fred indicated that "nationally" referees are getting older and Oregon is following that trend. He also reported that Reggie is on the national rule changes committee.
Reggie reported that the rule changes committee is composed of seven members that meet annually to review proposed rule changes. Those changes approved by this committee are passed up to the main committee to be incorporated into the official rules. Reggie also reported that the Girls High School championship is moving to Pennsylvania. The Boys High School championship is proposing to have it for juniors since high school seniors have pretty much decided where they are going for college and coaches are finished recruiting.
Reggie has been trying to get the National High School championships to Oregon but that doesn't seem to be going anywhere. At the Convention, Mike Stenerson suggested to Reggie that he try having Oregon host another USLA event. In this case, Reggie is pursuing the possibility of Oregon hosting the NLIA Championships. Reggie has requested a list of requirements from the BYU coach.
The USLA Chapter Assembly update was tabled until Dorothy returns.
5. **Other Business:**
 - a. **oregonlax.com** – Rather than relying on members coming to the website to obtain updates, it was suggested that an email is sent to members notifying them of new updates. It was agreed this is a good idea since it would fulfill the Chapter requirement to send periodic mailers to USLA members. The cost of this undertaking would be an issue and would need to be looked at. Another issue would be to load up the members list. Also, there was a question of who has the list – Andy will check with Joe. There was a question of who owns the website. The answer is that the Chapter owns the Main Page and Chapter Info page (@ \$25/month). If the Chapter has updates, it can be emailed directly to Brian. Since the Chapter owns the front page, then a chapter person should be taking care of it. (continued next page)

A motion was made, seconded and passed – *Because the Chapter owns the website, the Chapter will recruit someone to manage it.* To that end, it was suggested that Joe Kerwin would be a possibility. He can be reached at 341-342-2998.

b. Youth Officials Committee (YOC) – Fred talked about YOC wanting to go through one representative in the Chapter to order and distribute youth officials training packets. These packets are not used just for youth officials. They are good enough that they are being used at all levels of officiating. For now, Fred anointed Skyler to be representative. However, Fred, Skyler, and Doug will talk to Larry Anderson to see if he can be the representative.

c. Annual Members Meeting – In lieu of the February Chapter Meeting, hold the Members Meeting at West Linn HS. Possible dates would be February 19 or 20. In order to develop an agenda, the board will meet February 10.

d. Calendar of Events – The following are events that can be added to the calendar: Girls & Boys Oregon High School Championships; Youth Championships; Portland Lax Tourney; Fund Raising Golf Tournament; Hall of Fame Banquet; Summer Eugene Celebration Tournament (September); PNCL Tournament

e. Bylaws – Work on the bylaws continue

f. Chapter Goals – Following are Chapter goals: Addition of 3-4 Boy's Programs; 3 HS Girl's Programs (Roseburg has two teams and are going strong – will need to add teams to the south); 5 HS Boy's Programs (2 varsity and 3 junior varsity in Franklin, Thurston and Riverdale); Increase participation in Oregon's Masters Team; Inclusion of Lacrosse in the State Games of Oregon (June/July); Increase Number of Referees to 182; Increase USLA Membership by 20% (set up table at PNLA Tournament and HS Championships)

g. Sports Tradeshow – Amy works for a company that is involved in running the Oregon Sports Tradeshow to be held May 2-4. In exchange for USLA members attending the Tradeshow, the Chapter would have a table where lacrosse and its various programs can be promoted. Ideas include showing game videos, holding demonstrations, and setting up a goal where attendees could try their hand at scoring. Amy would be willing to head up the Tradeshow Committee provided that she is given clear objectives for participation. A motion was made, seconded and passed – *The Chapter will move forward and participate in the new tradeshow (SHAPE).*

6. **Adjourn:** Next meeting to be held at the Rogue's February 10 at 7 pm.